"No woman has received this medal," she said, "since the award to Mme Patti twenty years ago. It is a great

henor and I appreciate it fully." Former Governor Warfield of Mary land was at the pier to meet his daughter, who returned after a trip around the world. The young woman, who had been on the trip with her brother. was reported as engaged to Count Le

decowski. Among others on board were Major G. Creighton Webb, Sir Redman Robin, St James Whitney, Dr. and Mrs. James WORLD'S GREATEST SYSTEM Bishop ond Lady Herbert.

# Ends His Bermuda Vacation on Friday, the 13th.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 13.-"Friday, the 13th, is a lucky day with which to end my vacation," s id President-elect Woodrow Wilson to-day in a moment of leisure between packing and bidding farewell to his acquaintances, preparatory to his departure for the

United States to-morrow. Mr. Wilson is to start homeward at 10:30 a. m. to-morrow on board the steamer Bermudian, which will be convoyed on the journey by the Royal Mail steamer Oruba.

# President-Elect's Brother Guest

at "Hoodoo Banquet." son, was the guest of honor at a "hoodoo banquet" given here to-night by the Nashville Press Club and the Nashville Board of Trade.

Carrying out the idea that "13" is the lucky number of the Wilson family, the date of the banquet was fixed for Friday, the 18th. There were thirteen tables with thirteen guests at each table, and the played thirteen selections. Thirteen speakers were allowed thirteen dresses and were warned by a loud alarm , clock at the expiration of their time

Governor Wilson sent from Bermuda cable dispatch, saying: "Affectionate greetings."

Joseph R. Wilson is city editor of local paper, and during the recent cambureau of the Democratic National Com-

### FRIDAY, 13TH, HOODOO Brings Negro Life Sentence for Slaying Wife.

[By Yelegraph to The Tribune.] Chicago, Dec. 13.—Misfortune, darkeyed and pallid faced, brandished her

weapon of superstition to-day while exdolling her right to rule the destinies of man on Friday the 13th. November 13. 1911, Philip Markovitz left his job. Today, thirteen months later, December 13, he was arrested for embezzlement.

"Give me Cell No. 7 and a rabbit's foot," he urged. In the courts the day was generally ob-

"Don't send me to trial to-day," pleadd Charles Thomas, indicted for slaying

Robert T. Hill. "They would hang me sure. I'll stay in jail another month to be tried on a regular day. I know I may eget free for Christmas if my trial goes on, but I'll wait."

Rather than "take a chance of being hung." Abraham James, a negro, pleaded guilty to a charge of slaying his wife. He will be given a life term in prison.

sure hang," he said.

charge of arson in a cult tangle, blames fate for an accident to-day in which he The automobile patrol wagon bumped into a streetcar, and the alleged cult leader and two policemen were hurt. Bumpass charged in court that Mrs. Cora Mickle Hoffer preached a doctrine of free love in a "temple" at No. 1042 Orleans

### O'REILLY VERDICT STANDS Appellate Division Affirms Conviction of Lawyer.

The Appellate Division affirmed yesterday the conviction of Danies O'Reilly, formerly an Assistant District Attorney, who was sentenced in June, 1911, to eight months in the penitentiary for his part curities to Aaron Bancroft, from whom convicted for having the stolen securities in his possession. Justice Erlanger granted O'Reilly a certificate of reason-able doubt, on which he was released on ball. The case dragged along without the

bail. The case dragged along without the appeal being argued and recently the convicted man surrendered himself and had been serving his term on Riker's Island pending the outcome of his appeal.

Fresiding Justice Ingraham wrote the opinion of the Appellate Division, saying in part: "An examination of the testimony entirely satisfies us that the verdict of the jury was correct and that the defendant was guilty, and we are convinced that the jury could have arrived at no other conclusion upon any fair and intelligent consideration of the testimony."

many more will be issued after it is gen—aligned to that it is the intention of the department to enforce the law rigidly in every respect.

Commissioner Chamberlain expects that the government's experience in regulating the wireless business will develop the necessity of changes in the law, but does not think that difficulties will be many or great.

# GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Law Arising from Titanic Disaster Takes Effect and U.S. Will End Confusion.

LUCKY DAY, SAYS WILSON Amateurs May No Longer Interfere with Navy's Plan for Extension-500 New Yorkers Ask Licenses.

> From The Tribune Bureau, Washington, Dec. 13 .- Wireless tele graph operation passed into the control of the government to-day under the law passed at the last session of Congress, putting an end to promiscuous operation and dangerous interference.

The enforcement of the new radiographic laws has been intrusted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and supervision over wireless will be an additional duty of the Bureau of Navigation. "13" LUCKY FOR WILSONS of which Eugene Tyler Chamberlain is

The aim of the legislation was to pre vent private and commercial operators from confusing important messages and Nashville, Dec. 13.—Joseph R. Wilson, from confusing important messages and brother of President-elect Woodrow Wil-The purpose was to bring about authoritative supervision and to systematize the business.

For a number of years government control has been urged, but it remained for the Titanic disaster, with its loss of more than 1,500 lives, to emphasize the great necessity of supervision and system. Following the tragedy many bills were introduced in Congress, all aiming in different ways to regulate wireless operaminutes each in which to deliver ad- tion and minimize the danger of a repetition of the Titanic catastrophe.

The London international agreement of last June, to which the United States was one of the signatories, fixed the status of the wireless stations doing an international business, and Congress put on the firshing touches by enacting legislation covering domestic and interstate stations. Violation of the principal regulations is made a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$500, or imprisonment up to one

#### Navy Department Pleased.

It is estimated that there are about 1,000 ships under government regulation which are required to carry wireless. Provision has been made for an auxiliary engine to furnish power to the radio apparatus of ships in case of accident to the regular equipment in use. The Navy Department officials are in hearty accord with the new regulations, and every preparation has been made as far as possible to comply with the letter of the law.

Navy Department officials welcome the new law because of the plan of the Secretary of the Navy to lay the groundwork during his administration for the greatest wireless system in the world, a scheme which would have been less prachad not Congress eliminated the possibility of continual interference from private and amateur radio stations.

It is the plan of Secretary Meyer to to save themselves. establish wireless stations at Panams, Hawaii, Samoz and Guam, in the Philippines, and along the California coast, and to make possible wireless communication among these points.

Innumerable amateur and experimental stations have been in operation along the "I'm glad, cause if I went to trial I'd Atlantic and Pacific coasts for neveral ears, greatly hampering the work of the of the police. government stations and causing much distress. An instance of this sort developed in the investigation of the Titanic disaster, but because of the lack of regmisdemeanor.

Greater protection of human life on the sea is the principal benefit to be derived from government control of the wireless. All licensed shore stations are required to listen for not less than two minutes at intervals of fifteen minutes for distress calls, and in the event of a distress signal from a vessel all stations except the out." The government stations will have the first fifteen minutes' undisturbed use in the negotiations for the return of se- of the air for the transaction of business.

Three Hundred Operators Licensed. The Department of Commerce and Labor has granted licenses to about three hundred operators and about a dozen shore stations, but it is expected that many more will be issued after it is gen-

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# WIRELESS OPERATION IN WHITMAN TAKES UP VICE GRAFT FIGHT

already under subpoena.

These women, all of whom are in the trust keepers, have assured Mrs. Goode police graft and criss-cross trickery. Trusted messengers of the seven women who are on the verge of laying bare these startling revelations scurried around yesterday in an effort to bring more of the independent disorfifteen present.

Police Commissioner Waldo, although declining to make any comment on the conditions revealed by Mrs. Goode, did have three women summoned before him yesterday. According to The Tribune's informant, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Marshall were the three women who were called before the Commissioner, and it is believed that Mr. Waldo has decided to investigate conditions in Inspector Dwyer's district himself.

#### Aim at High Officials.

These women were among those named by Mrs. Goode in her testimony, and Mrs. Strauss, according to Mrs. Goode, has been a member of the disorderly house "trust." It developed vesterday also that Mrs. Strauss was 'raided" last Wednesday, within a few hours of the time that Mrs. Goode testified before the aldermanic committee

Subponaes will be served on the disorderly house keepers, although it is practically a voluntary proposition or their part. This will be for appearance before the "John Doe" grand jury, which is now sitting and which was impanelled for the purpose of inquiring into police conditions.

It is not considered likely, even with over to disorderly tenants. the voluntary testimony of the victims of the police graft, that the high officials of the department who have been grafting, will be uncovered, and certainly they will not be uncovered by the testimony of these women. Since the middle of the summer, when the trails leading from the Rosenthal murder disclosed many of the ramifications of the immense dragnet of police graft, it has been expected in the District Attorney's office that any discoveries of graft on the social evil would be, a first, concerned entirely with the men occupying the lower rungs of the pelice blacknail ladder.

If the trail leads higher, it is said, fear of prompt punishment into the hearts of the pawns of the game to such an extent that they will reveal the powerful figures in the row behind

The money that is paid out in response to police extortion for winking at the social evil, according to a city official who has followed the question, is handled with more care as to prohibiting discovery than any other graft money that falls into the hands

### Balk at Police Tyranny.

first to a man not even connected with of her plunge into publicity. the police force. It goes from that 'split' knows who else is concerned in the man he gives it to."

According to investigators who worked on the problem of police graft on disorderly houses for the District Attorney's office last summer, at least 60 per cent of such houses in the city are independent and run entirely for and by their own inmates. The other 40 per cent are included in several large combinations which are lumped generally by the independents as "the trust."

The women of these independent houses for the first time in the history of vice in New York City, have been drawn together by Mary Goode's open defiance of police grafters in her testimony before the aldermanic committee. More than that, they were talking yesterday, in their conferences, about the hopeful possibility of obtaining recognition which would permit them to carry on their "business" in a circumscribed manner, but still in freedom from police tyranny.

One of these women, who has volunteered to appear before the grand jury, consented to talk to a reporter for The Tribune yesterday.

"We have been double-crossed by the police to such an extent that there is practically no object in trying to keep up under present conditions," she said. The fools don't seem to see that they are killing the goose that has been laying the golden egg for them, but they'll wake up to it soon. I have been renting a seven-room flat, in which four girls lived with me. We take in a little over \$700 a month, of which half goes to the girls. Now, out of my half I have to pay \$50 rent and all the expenses of the place, and I've been paying \$60 a month protection money.

### Driven Out by Pelice Greed.

"That was reasonable enough and I don't believe that any one in the 'business' is going to kick about a rate like that. But since the Rosenthal murder the police have raised the rates on us. They demanded a hundred a month twice as great now for them. The truth is that since these 'cops' have heard how easy Becker got his they're all out to get rich quick. "I've moved three times since the

1st of August. It costs me money to at the beginning of January, 1914, at move and a lot more money to get the latest. started again in a new location, and Meanwhile, the tongues of the under-

the seventh woman at that meeting, is from raids any minute. It's just as Mrs. Goode said, there's no use in trying to keep up with conditions like ranks of the independents, or anti- that, and people are certainly coming around to the idea that this 'business' that they are, like herself, determined will go on in spite of all they can do, to expose everything they know of the and the only thing to do is to come as near to putting it on the level by segregation and regulation, not by 'cops,' as can be done."

That same idea that New York City is about to recognize and regulate the social evil by segregation is abroad in downtown Manhattan, said yesterday everywhere it is tried, because it never the underworld to-day, according to that their records showed a better coning before the grand jury, and it was this woman. It has been in the minds dition throughout the Tenderloin of loudly claim." learned late last night that as a result of the people who live by and on vice late than there had been in more than another meeting of these women will for some time, has been strengthened be held to-day, at which there will be by the reports of the vice commissions been brought to a definite head by the remarkable outburst of that coolly vicious philosopher of the underworld. Mary Goode, before the Curran com-

The astonishing spread of the districts inhabited by vice under the present system, by which the police alone are the arbiters of the fate of these women, was outlined yesterday by Mrs. Goode. She asserted that the raids which followed on the heels of the exposures trailing the Rosenthal murder drove hundreds of women from the upper 20's, running from about 25th to 29th street, to a section of the upper West Side lying near Central Park West and from 98th street north.

Beginning with that street, Mrs. Goode said she could point out to the police or any investigator who cared to look into the question a number of disorderly flats in each street north as far as 110th street. These flats, she asserted, were also to be found along Manhattan avenue from 105th to 110th street, and even over as far west as Broadway, in several of the streets between 105th and 110th streets.

In several locations, she said, she knew of entire apartment houses given

#### Women Strong for Segregation. "Have you investigated these houses

and streets personally?" she was asked.

"No. I don't claim that," she returned, "but we people have our own that. Why, we even know within an hour of the quietest kind of 'fake' raid, that entire section . And can't you see, are supposed to and actually do keep of letting it alone as long as it was segthe existence of all of these places? Do you suppose that they are allowing it can only be by reason of putting the these places to run except on payment of 'graft'? Why, that's too ridiculous for the public to swallow, surely.

"And knowing that, even if they don't know it in a way that would furnish legal proof, why don't people realize that they ought to take this matter entirely out of police hands by segre

Mrs. Goode's views along that line, aired first in her testimony on Wednesday and amplified in her interview on Thursday, constitute her "hobby." She not only believes in the idea thorough- which girls enter lives of vice." man last night, "the victim pays it ognized segregation will be the outcome to-day in the Middle Ages, Dr. Kelly said,

Emory R. Buckner, counsel to the ulation or supervision it was impossible collector to a minor member of the Curran committee, said yesterday that to fix the responsibility. The new law force, usually either an ordinary pa- the committee, at its next session on provides that any operator sending out trolman or a detective; it is handed Wednesday morning, would in all proba fraudulent distress call is guilty of a along from that point up with the ut- ability concern itself only with police most care and no man who handles it department records on activities in and gets his small percentage of the connection with the vice problem. He did not believe that any other disorit except the man he gets it from and derly housekeepers would come forward as Mrs. Goode did to tell the underworld side of the vice story, but he admitted that if Mrs. Goode persuaded any corroborating witness to appear

the committee would hear the story. Raymond B. Fosdick, former Commissioner of Accounts, who has been lending his aid to the investigations of the Curran committee, said yesterday that he believed the public was more vitally interested in the machinery of its Police Department than in the He said that police corruption in this re-

is trying to get at are concerned more with the 'why' of these conditions than with the conditions themselves. We and others who have been in close subject before the University Forum a the whole problem in the hands of a touch with the police system, what the week ago, that the problem could well system in effect leads to; the next thing is to find out why certain men are put into and left in positions where trankly met and dealt with, though it was as corrupting the men whose duty it is they either allow or partake in the ac- difficult to find an effective remedy. He tivities disclosed by these stories of

# Hope for Vice Committee.

Who recommended him? Why are and corruption among the members of the other men detailed on special details force. of various kinds, and who recommends them? That is what the public wants to know and what Mr. Buckner is trying to lay bare. It's a question of get- Goode. ting at the machinery of the department and disclosing its methods. Only in that way can we restore public confidence in the department, and, of course, until all the data are collected we cannot tell what direction recommendations for improvements should take. It may be that we need a state the laws, that the whole thing should constabulary; it may be we need nothing more than administrative reforms enforcement of these laws conditions in the department, and it may be we shall require legislative enactments to permit of sweeping changes in the rules under which the police are governed. Whatever the result, it is certain that from me, and when I tried to hold Mr. Buckner is going ahead in the them down they swore the risk was proper way, and there are no politics It is a shocking story of conditions as

in his moves. Mr. Fosdick thought that the Curran committee's work should be completed in time so that whatever reforms it this vice. recommended could be put into effect

even with paying money I'm not safe, world have been loosaned by Mrs. ple. Unenforceable laws are the hotbed in Palermo while on an important mis-

Goode's defiance of police tyranny, and increased threefold since the middle of it is likely that stories of blackmail, July, when the Rosenthal murder first graft and vice will pour in on the al- shocked the city. dermanic committee or the District Miss Maude E. Miner, the head of Attorney's office. By an official of the Waverly House, at No. 38 West 10th latter it was said yesterday that a street, where women are cared for veritable flood of startling tales of when released or paroled from the vice and graft would greet a vice com- night court, said yesterday that the mission in New York now, if such a regulation and segregation schemes body were prepared to go to work. The proposed by Mrs. Goode were worse disorderly women who think that they than useless. are about to escape from further blackmail by police would tell their stories more freely, it is believed, to such a commission, which would be sociologi-cal in its aspect, than they will to a prosecutions may follow

#### Scattered from Tenderloin.

A member of the Committee of

It was stated by one investigator yesterday that in the one district comber of disorderly houses and flats had or otherwise.

a year. This was explained, of course, by the hundreds, driven out of their old haunts in the Tenderloin, have per West Side bordering on the park.

"It is not a matter for regulation," said Miss Miner, "but should only be treated from the standpoint of absolute suppression. Any such comcommittee or grand jury from which mittee as this woman proposes would be nothing less than a confession that we cannot enforce our laws. The po lice could and should be made to en-Fourteen, an organization which con- force the law and suppress this vice ducts a general survey over vice in throughout the city. Segregation fails does confine vice, as its advocates so

Miss Miner said that the question was largely one of public attitude. If by the testimony which has reached that attitude was seriously and of various other cities and has finally both the aldermanic committee and strongly in favor of the absolute enthe District Attorney's office to the forcement of the law, she said, the vice effect that women of the underworld would be suppressed by the police. She spoke of the reports of vice commissions in other cities, where after extransferred their activities to the up- haustive researches it had been the consensus of opinion that vice could be suppressed, and that the problem was one of education rather than recogmanded by Inspector Dwyer the num- nition under any conditions, segregated

# SEGREGATION PLAN FAILURE, BALTIMORE EXPERT ASSERTS

"The declaration that vice should be, of women in the fight and the other the segregated on the grounds that it is as determination of those who had taken up old as the world and will always exist for that reason is merely fountain pen oratory. When citizens turn their attenperience has proved that vice begets vice. In allaying vice since one appointment of The experience in several cities smaller han New York shows that closing disorderly houses cleans to a large extent the locality.

"In Baltimore," said Dr. Howard A. Kelly, of the Johns Hopkins University, who made the above statement yesterday it a meeting of the New York Probation Association in the United Charities Building, "the segregation plan had been urged by one man in particular until I was forced to reply, 'Then for heaven's sake why don't you do something?' Advocates of the plan to assemble in certain methods of communication-our own districts all the disorderly resorts never 'grapevine,' if you choose to call it get beyond the talking stage. Furthermore, the plan is not feasible.

"In the city of Baltimore there is proof of the futility of the system in the fact that where there were originally nine localities where vice abounded the numcan't every one see, that the police who ber grew to sixty-eight under the policy close track of all our doings, know of regated. We have closed up two districts, so there we now have sixty-six to deal with.

Segregation Plan a Failure. "To stamp out vice there must be two disinct processes-the tearing down of the system and then a careful reconstruction that will not permit a return to old conditions. Unfortunately, history shows that those who would protect vice by segregating it have met with a series of dissupply must be got at. The amusements, the department stores, the dwellings and them into slavery to obtain protection. even the politicians require the attention, for they are often the means through

ly, but she also very evidently believes | People worked on the same problem

the question of vice suppression to make it a life work. Stanley W. Finch, special commission

er for the suppression of the "white slave tion toward the suppression of vice in a traffic of the Department of Justice, told municipality there are always those who the members of the Probation Society will advocate the segregation plan. Ex- about the work the government had done the commission in 1910. It would ultimately be the means of stamping out vice entirely, he said, because when the operations were made to cover every state in the Union it would be impossible to obtain prostitutes from outside states.

"We work in co-operation with the police," he said, "and obtain the pedigree of every inmate of a house. We have an agent in every city, and when a new girl arrives we hear of it through him. Because we have the backing of the police the person in charge of the house sends him a card It is merely a question of shutting off the source of supply and our work makes ment will be arrived at very shortly,

#### To Strengthen Federal Laws. There were several new laws needed to

accomplish the work thoroughly, Commisstoner Finch said, the first of which was an act making it unlawful to even attempt to induce a girl to come from one state to another for immoral purposes Unless the act is successful there can b no prosecution under the present law. The holding of any girl against her will should also be made an offence against the government, he said, as should the use of the United States mails in any way whatever with the "white slave" truffic. It would be a further advantage, he said, if search warrants could be obtained to get evidence. mai failures. When the houses are closed and the law in some states that prevented the real work begins. The sources of the a woman from testifying against her husband should be amended, because, he said. such as the theatres and dance halls and cadets often married girls before they sold necklace was a magnificent single row It was announced at the meeting that

the name of the organization had been changed and that henceforth it will be known as the New York Probation and within a few seconds \$50,000 was "In that vicious circle," said this that something akin to regulated, rec- that is confronting many American cities Protection Association. The change in reached, and the jewels finally brought name, it was said, was made to include \$75,000. but in the present campaign there were the extended work the body was doing several new notes that bid for success. Directors whose terms expired yesterday One was the presence of large numbers were re-elected at the meeting.

BRITISH STRIKE DRAGS ON

[By Cable to The Tribune.]

mand for reinstatement of all the strik ers to their old positions has led to deadlock in the negotiations for a se tlement. The company will consent to a general return of the strikers, but refuses to discharge the new men. Latlast night it was stated that peace ne gotiations would be resumed to-day

The judicial inquiry into the case of the driver, Knox, whose conviction for drunkenness led to the dispute, was concluded yesterday. The commission er expressed the view that Knox was neither "drunk and incapable" nor "drunk and disorderly," in other words,

# NECKLACE FETCHES \$75.000 Six-Figure Sale Made in Five

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, Dec. 13.-There was keen competition for a pearl necklace at Christie's this afternoon, when the jewels of the late Lady Lindsay, wife of Sir Coutts Lindsay, were sold. Too one, composed of fifty-three round

The opening bid was \$20,000, but

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# WOODS SUGGESTS COMMITTEE TO REGULATE SOCIAL EVIL

Commissioner under General Theodore A. Bingham, speaking on the subject of the control of vice and crime before the University Forum of the New York University yesterday, said that the story recently told by Mrs. Mary Goode before the Curran committee of the illicit relations between the police and women of throws the burden on the state and does not work well. I believe, however, it the underworld was substantially true, not work well. "The real things that Mr. Buckner ways would be as long as the police were left to deal with the suppression of this vice under the present laws.

Mr. Woods did not agree with the sugorder and decency were maintained. Mr. Woods said that the problem should be difficult to find an effective remedy. He to protect your lives and property." suggested that unless the laws could be While there was no complaint in regard changed so as to segregate the evil under to the manner in which the District Ata strict police surveillance, the whole matter should be taken out of the hands "Why was Becker selected as head of the police and left to a special board of the special detail he commanded? or civic committee, in order to avoid graft

In suggesting supervision by a committee or board, the former deputy commissioner appeared to agree with the proposal of the underworld witness, Mrs.

Referring to the Mayor's ideas on the subject and discussing the problem from his own point of view, Mr. Woods said: "It has been suggested that we leave matters alone and wait until the pas sions of men become less strong, but I cannot feel that we ought to avoid the present situation. We say to-day, under not be, but as the result of an attempted here are as bad as anywhere else and worse than in most European cities.

#### Believes Mrs. Goode's Story. "The story recently told by the woman

of the underworld before the aldermanic committee I believe is true in substance. they exist to-day, and as they have existed for a long time, and will exist so

present relation with the suppression of effect when Mayor Gaynor and the Duffy office. "We should face the facts as they are The nd not as we wish they were. suggestion of a compromise with such a fearful evil does not appeal to most peo-

Arthur Woods, former Deputy Police of graft, and they are unenforceable if they do not fit the case and do not have the weight of public opinion back of them. If you want to eliminate graft you should make laws which can be enforced. Perhaps the social evil will be with us until better economic conditions are obtained, particularly for young

"I do not believe in licensing, for that would help matters a good deal to segre gate the social evil to a certain district startling revelations of women like spect seemed to be an inseparable ad- of the city and let the police preserve junct of the social evil, and that it al- order there and see that it did not get outside of that district. The police, in that case, would come pretty near to enforcing the laws without corruption, but we are not likely to make such laws. If that cannot be done, it would be better know now, by the stories of Mrs. Goode gestions of Mayor Gaynor on the same to place the responsibility of dealing with committee or board, a body of men who would deal with it alone. You will say that such a board will be corrupted, and you are right, but it would not be as bad

torney's office prosecuted criminals at the present time, the speaker said, formerly there had been a tendency to rush the cases through, so long as a conviction was obtained, and accept pleas of lesser degree in crimes where the evidence justified a conviction in a greater degree. That was a handicap the police had to contend with in enforcing the law. The accepting of lesser degree pleas and the imposing of suspended sentences in many cases by the courts, fos tered the belief among the criminal classes that they could get off easy and thereby encourage crime.

#### Bargaining with Criminals. "It isn't an ennobling sight to see the

prosecuting authorities bargaining with a criminal as to what punishment or penalty he should receive," said Mr. Woods "particularly in cases where the evidence justifies a conviction for a higher crime It isn't for the prosecuting authorities to say what the penalties should be; that is regulated by statute. That is one thing that makes it difficult for the police to enforce the law properly." The former Deputy Commissioner sald

that an effective plan of dealing with Italian criminals, particularly with the long as the police are placed in their Black Hand, had been all but put into case ended General Bingham's term of "Vachris and Crawley, the two detec-

sion in Italy," said Mr. Woods, "returned with a mass of documentary evidence which would have gone a long way toward doing away with our Black Hand troubles, if properly used. Why that evi. dence was not used is another story, You will have to ask some one else. The Duffy boy was brought into play before Vachris and Crawley got back."
The speaker said that the Police Com

missioner, under his present powers, had not the means of enforcing proper dis cipline in the force. Dismissal from the force on charges had become a farce, he said, because the men were regularly reinstated by the courts. They looked upor a dismissal as merely a few weeks' vacation, after which they would receive their back pay and continue doing bust ness at the old stand. This sort of "in-again out-again bust

ness" reminded one of South American politics, he said. Men who had been dismissed and brought disgrace upon the force should not be allowed back, as a matter of protection to the honest an fficient members of the force. The speak. er severely criticised the method of promotion in the department through civi service examinations. The man who has quently in line for earlier promotion u der civil service methods, did not always make the best superior officer. That matter should be left to the Commissioner, h said.

er with a long term of office," Mr. Woods said. "To-day he is a bird of passage and he comes and goes so quickly that the men in the ranks don't get a chance to size him up. If they think he is a hard one they lay low and hope for better The former deputy commissioner said

that, in the face of so much criticism of the police recently, it was not right to assume that the majority of the members of the force were grafters. The great body of the force were honest and effi clent men, he said, and the odium should be removed from them so that they could be as proud of their uniform as a West Point cadet is of his.

### Deadlock Reached in Railroad Men's Negotiations.

London, Dec. 14.-The North Eastern Railway Men's insistence on their de-

and that both sides hope that a settle

he was not drunk in law.

# Minutes at Christie's.

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